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Mr. Squares once more looked at his notes. "Grandtree," he said, "he's the next. Stand up, Grandtree."

Another subaltern stood up, trembling all over, and the Lieutenant looked at him very hard.

"Grandtree," said Squares, "I've got a very serious charge against you. Your father discovered in your bedroom after your last visit home a loose board under the bed, and lifting up this board he found several books there. Grandtree, these books were on military tactics. Grandtree, the leaves of those books had been cut. Grandtree, there were several perfectly intelligent notes in the margin! This was a serious matter that I reported to the Colonel. The Colonel desired me to deal with it immediately. Grandtree, I will deal with it now. Strip!"

The wretched youth stripped, and stood up before the Senior Subaltern with every nerve quivering in his flesh.

"Put him in chains," said Squares, and the order was obeyed.

"Bring the horse-clippers and crop his hair," said Squares, and the order was obeyed.

"Flag him," said Squares, and the order was obeyed.

"Produce the boiling oil," said Squares. But the unfortunate young gentleman had fainted.

"Pour it down his throat," said Squares, "I'll receive his spirits for him. Down with it!"

The young man came to, the eyeballs protruding from his head, the tongue (horribly distorted) hanging out so that it twitched convulsively an inch below his ribs.

"Grandtree," said the Senior Subaltern, "you have gone through the preliminary canter of your just and righteous punishment. You will now begin the race in earnest. Lord Bang, produce the Razor!"

A shriek went up from the contemtable Grandtree. But the Razor was produced—a little, cruel-looking machine some four feet high, with an edge sharp as a razor.

Upon this cutting blade the youth was seated, and the razor was moved from the ground, and weights of several pounds were attached to his ankles. Then the remaining subalterns, spreading the silver round the room, pulled him with champagne-bottles, bayonets, carving-knives, and cannon-balls, while Mr. Squares whistled the latest song sung from the comic opera.

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## Intimations.

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that GUN PRACTICE will be carried out from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Stonecutters' Island, West Battery, on MONDAY and TUESDAY next, the 30th and 31st March, at targets in a Westerly direction.

Practice will commence at about 9 a.m. By Command, F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, March 24, 1903. 628

## GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

THE following Notice is published. By Command, F. H. MAY, Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, March 23, 1903.

## NOTICE.

A MEETING of HIS MAJESTY'S JUSTICES of the PEACE will be held at the MAGISTRACY at 2.15 p.m., on THURSDAY, the 2nd April, 1903, for the purpose of considering the following application:

From one JOHN H. DOWNS for the transfer of his Publican's Licence to sell and retail intoxicating liquor on the premises situated at No. 8, Shaukiwa Road, under the sign of the "Bay View Hotel" to one HOWARD M. COLLINS.

F. A. HAZELAND, Police Magistrate, Hongkong, March 21, 1903. 629

## ZETLAND LODGE.

No. 525, E.C.  
A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at FREEMASON'S HALL, Zetland Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 1st April, at 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, March 26, 1903. 686

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## Intimations.

## THE CHINA BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

## (IN LIQUIDATION).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN IN PURSUANCE of Section 130 of the Companies Ordinance 1865 that a General Meeting of the Members of the above-named Company will be held at No. 4, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the ninth day of APRIL, 1903, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of having an account laid before them, showing the manner in which the winding-up has been conducted and the property of the Company disposed of, and of hearing any explanation that may be given by the Liquidators, and also of determining by Extraordinary Resolution how the balance of the 25,000 fully-paid-up shares of the new Company to be allotted to the shareholders of this Company, being the fractional shares of such 25,000 shares shall be dealt with and the manner in which the books, accounts and documents of the Company and of the Liquidators thereof shall be disposed of.

Dated the 6th day of March, 1903. (Signed) A. G. WOOD, G. S. SHARP, J. WHEELEY, Liquidators.

Witness to the signatures of Alexander George Wood, Charles Stewart Sharp, and John Thomas Martin Wheeley. (Signed) JOHN HAYS, Solicitor, Hongkong. 491

## NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 161 (SPECIAL). CHINA SEA.

## SHANGHAI DISTRICT.

Attention in position of Port Buoy.

WITH reference to Notice to Mariners, No. 158 (Special), Notice is hereby given that FORT BUOY has been shifted S. 7° 30' E., distant 2.6 cables from its former position, and is moored in 10 feet of Low Water of Spring Tides; from its Woonung Lighthouse bears S. 80° W., distant 5.9 cables.

The buoy has been painted BLACK and now marks the southern end of the inner entrance to the new channel over the Woonung Outer Bar.

N.B.—Bearings are magnetic. Wm. CARLSON, Coast Inspector's Office, Shanghai, 15th March, 1903. 640

## NOTICE TO MARINERS.

No. 162 (SPECIAL). CHINA SEA.

## SHANGHAI DISTRICT.

Temporary withdrawal of the Tungsze Light vessel for repairs postponed.

REFERRING to NOTICE to Mariners, No. 159 (Special), dated the 9th March, NOTICE is hereby given that the temporary withdrawal of the Tungsze Light-vessel "Tungsze" for repairs has been postponed until the 1st June next.

T. J. ELDRIDGE, Acting Deputy Coast Inspector, Coast Inspector's Office, Shanghai, March 16, 1903. 639

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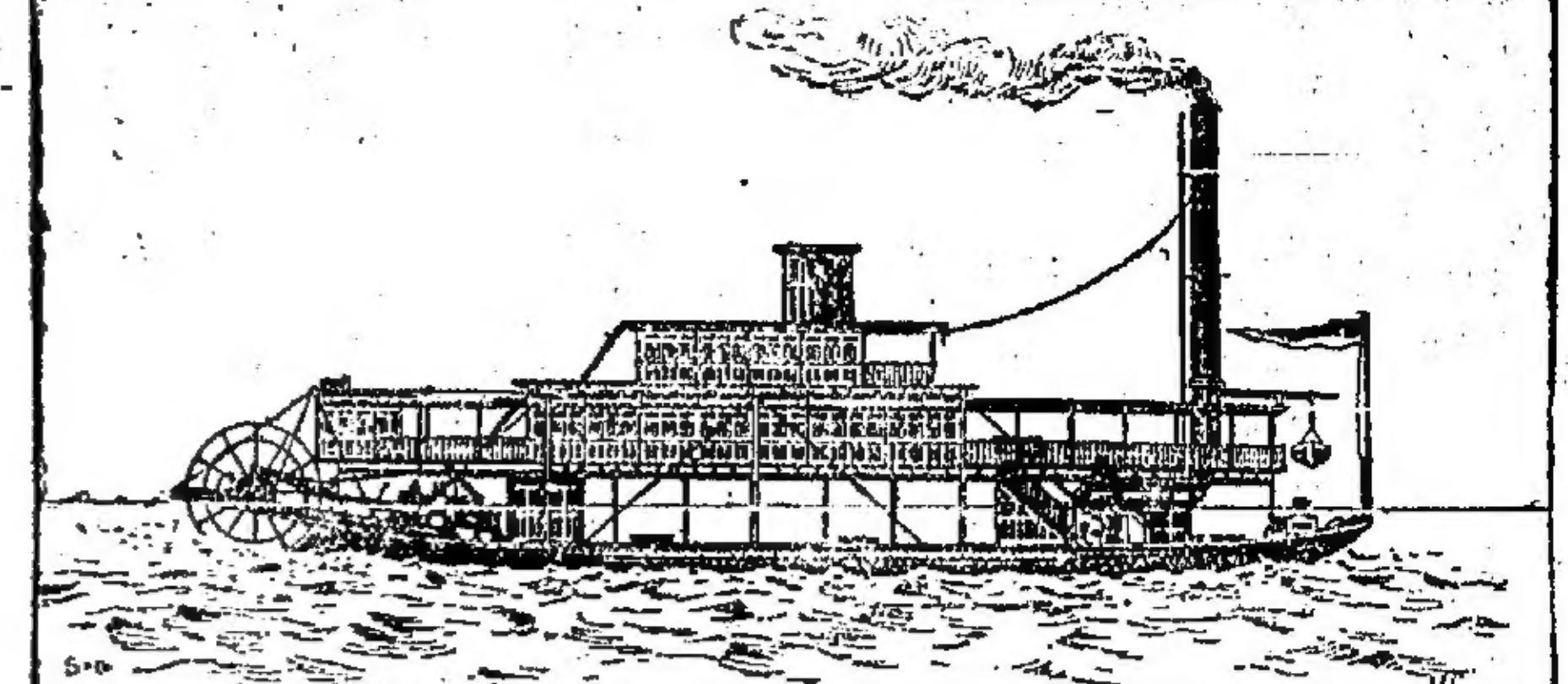
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of these General Managers was increased in order to allow one of them to repay to the Company a large sum of money owing to the shareholders. As on the first occasion in June of last year, I have no desire to cause any unpleasantness to all, but I think that the matter should be brought openly before this meeting. Mr. Potts, in addition to that I am informed by the Auditor of the Company, Mr. W. Hutton Potts, that some alteration has been made on the accounts—your own account no if it is not so—since he passed them. Mr. Potts writes to me under this date: "As I am unable to attend the above Company's meeting to-day, I beg to draw your attention to the fact that the accounts were not passed by me, the Auditor, but by the shareholders, and the items under the heading of 'Sundry Debtors' which were then separate, being now shown in one amount, although minutely, on the account, that I would then shown as there stated—Yours faithfully, W. Hutton Potts." I think, on the face of that letter, that I am quite justified in bringing this matter forward, and had there been a meeting and a larger meeting, a representative meeting, I think I would have been justified in asking for a Committee of inquiry. I shall be glad to hear any explanation you have to offer in reply to my questions.

The Chairman (addressing under the account)—That is Mr. Potts' original sheet, signed by him. We don't choose to put the individual items there—Schultz, and Watkins and Bechman and so forth. We simply put them in as 'Sundry Debtors.' The increase in my remuneration was granted in June or July; at the July meeting, I think, I drew that increase as from the 1st January; that is, back six months, instead of which my co-manager, Mr. Chan A. Fook, will not agree to that, and so he has debited it to my account, consequently increasing the amount due. However, the whole of that amount will be liquidated in the next meeting, because I have just received a law case whereby I get \$50,000 francs and that \$50,000 francs is payable in the coming June, three months from now, when the whole amount due not only to the Company will be liquidated, but I may say I have arranged for financing half of the new building of the Company's on my own personal guarantee. That, I think, ought to be quite sufficient. If you don't take my word for it, I will hand you this (Mr. Chan A. Fook's letter). That is private and confidential; it must not go to the meeting. I don't ask you to take my word for it; you have it there in black and white. Further convincing proof than that I cannot give you. If you are not satisfied with that, all I ask you to do is to appoint a Committee or whatever you like. That accounts for the increase of the amount due. I specially emphasised it at the meeting that the increase was for the 1st January. However, my colleague did not seem to think that; he thought it was from the date it was passed.

Mr. Chan A. Fook—I was acting on the advice of the firm's solicitors. Mr. Watkins—Mr. Sharp, the barrister, advised me that I was perfectly right, and legally entitled to it, especially as I emphasised at the meeting that the increase was passed in July. It was not necessary that the increase should take effect from that date. However, the amount had been debited up to me, and that has increased it.

Mr. Reid—I don't wish to say anything more except that it is very unsatisfactory that this amount should be more than \$5,000, but first of all they should find out what process of manufacture was to be adopted in this case.

Mr. Chan A. Fook—I thought it would be a very useful thing to make the enquiry suggested by the Acting Medical Officer of Health. As a matter of fact, so far as he could judge from the plan, the factory was a separate detached building from the building in which were the proposed quarters; but the quarters were shown to be on the upper floor, the ground floor of the building being occupied by stores. If the white lead was simply to be kept there in cases he would not expect that any injurious results would arise from it, but in that matter, of course, he must defer to any view the Acting Medical Officer of Health might hold. He had thought that it was undesirable to make it any more troublesome to the people in carrying out their business. He moved that enquiry be made as to the process of manufacture to be followed here.

The President seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

**Jerry Building in Manila.**

While a house was being built in the Ermita quarter of Manila, for a wealthy merchant, it collapsed on the 20th inst.; three men were killed outright and five more were not expected to live. Manila papers are now agitating for better supervision.

**Mercantile Bank Dividend.**

Mr. E. A. Ormiston, Acting Manager of the Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, writes: "I have received a telegram from your London office that the Directors will recommend at the forthcoming yearly meeting of shareholders, a Dividend of 5 per cent on A shares, 4 per cent on 'B' shares, that £10,000 be placed to Reserve, which will then stand at £20,000 and that £16,200 be carried forward to next account."

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## STRANGE TALE OF THE SEA.

## Triple Murder and Suicide.

The survivors of a licensed fishing junk which arrived at Shaikwan yesterday had a wild tale to lay before Police Inspector Robertson. They state that on Thursday, the 26th inst., when about 160 miles from port, the three members of the crew who were on watch continued, and killed the skipper, his concubine and child, and threw the bodies overboard. Later, four of the crew attacked the murderers, so they say, and in order to escape capture two of the mutineers jumped overboard, and were never seen again. In the evening, the third man went into the Captain's cabin, broke open his box, stole about \$200 and then, cutting a hole in the stern of the craft, also jumped into the sea and disappeared. There were only four of the crew left, and as soon as they arrived at Shaikwan they reported the affair to the police, who are now carrying out investigations. The tale is certainly a queer one, and will require some sifting.

## A DANGEROUS TRADE.

At the meeting of the Sanitary Board yesterday, with reference to the occupation of certain paint works at Shaikwan, Mr. Clark recommended that the Board allow occupation of the portion of the building worked 'quarters' only on condition that no white lead or other poisonous substance was stored in any part of the same building.

The D.P.W. minutes:—The portion marked 'quarters' appears to be open all along the back. I should have thought it would be more dangerous to health to have the quarters open towards the factory than to allow white lead to be stored underneath them. To white lead is dangerous when it is in the air. I presume it would be in cases of some sort.

The President said he understood that the storing of white lead was dangerous to anyone living in the same building on account of the noxious fumes given off by the white lead or on account of the dust which was caused in the manufacture and removal of white lead. Perhaps the Acting Medical Officer of Health could give them some information on the subject.

Mr. Reeves said there were several different processes for the manufacture of white lead. The old process was the most dangerous by reason of the fumes and dust thrown off in the manufacture. It would be advisable, he thought, to enquire whether this was to be the process followed here or whether they would follow the modern process of treating the material with water so that no dust could rise. Fumes were caused in the manufacture and would not be present in the case of stored material. But if white lead was stored under a house in cases, these cases were liable to be opened at some time and then injurious dust would rise. He thought therefore that the quarters should be more separated from the white lead works than shown on the plan; but first of all they should find out what process of manufacture was to be adopted in this case.

Mr. Chan A. Fook—I thought it would be a very useful thing to make the enquiry suggested by the Acting Medical Officer of Health.

As a matter of fact, so far as he could judge from the plan, the factory was a separate detached building from the building in which were the proposed quarters; but the quarters were shown to be on the upper floor, the ground floor of the building being occupied by stores. If the white lead was simply to be kept there in cases he would not expect that any injurious results would arise from it, but in that matter, of course, he must defer to any view the Acting Medical Officer of Health might hold. He had thought that it was undesirable to make it any more troublesome to the people in carrying out their business. He moved that enquiry be made as to the process of manufacture to be followed here.

The President seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

**Jerry Building in Manila.**

While a house was being built in the Ermita quarter of Manila, for a wealthy merchant, it collapsed on the 20th inst.; three men were killed outright and five more were not expected to live. Manila papers are now agitating for better supervision.

**Mercantile Bank Dividend.**

Mr. E. A. Ormiston, Acting Manager of the Mercantile Bank of India, Limited, writes: "I have received a telegram from your London office that the Directors will recommend at the forthcoming yearly meeting of shareholders, a Dividend of 5 per cent on A shares, 4 per cent on 'B' shares, that £10,000 be placed to Reserve, which will then stand at £20,000 and that £16,200 be carried forward to next account."

**DREAMS are thoughts with the facts left out.**

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## AMOIY NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Amoy, March 23.

## THE WEATHER.

After a fortnight of simply horrid weather, finishing up with exceptionally heavy rains for two or three days and nights, the weather has cleared up once more. An unusual amount of rain has fallen, which will be of immense use to farmers, and will enable them to plant their spring crop of rice at once. But I fear in some cases severe frosts may do some preliminary damage, as the rains up country have been even heavier than on the coast. Things are apt to be somewhat contrary in China, as far as the weather is concerned. A few years of shortage of water almost amounting to drought, and then when the rain does come, it descends in such quantities as to cause floods. 'It never rains but it pours' and 'a fast and a famine' are undoubtedly proverbs that have been framed in times past by observing this peculiarity of nature.

## THE NEW MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

The Land Regulations and Bye-Laws for the new Settlement of Kulungau are now printed and distributed. We are being asked \$1 per copy at present, although Bye-Law No. 20 distinctly says that any ratepayer applying for one can obtain the same 'without charge,' which, to say the least of it, seems odd. It may be that until it is settled who are actually entitled to vote, all non-voters must pay for the privilege of not voting by paying for the book of Regulations and Bye-Laws in which they have as yet no direct interest. If, as is probable, all who are willing to pay the \$5 Poll Tax after May 1 have come voters, they have only to wait until that date to get a copy for nothing.

I omitted to state that the Council really consists of seven members, for, in addition to the six Foreigners, there is to be on it a 'Chinese gentleman of good standing' appointed yearly by the Amoy Taitai, who is to afterwards act as a member of the Council. I have not yet heard the name of this gentleman, or indeed if he is already chosen, but it is presumed that he will be a good English speaker and scholar.

At a vacancy occurs during the year of office of the Council, the Council has power to fill up the vacancy; and if the Chinese member dies or retires, the Amoy Taitai will appoint someone in his place. Three members form a quorum. The Constitution is a 'tripod' on the analogy of the British Constitution, the Councils, the Lords, and the Crown being paralleled by the Council, the Consul, and the Chinese Government with the Foreign Ministers in Peking, any change in framing new, or amending old, Bye-Laws having to be agreed to by all the three bodies mentioned.

There is further to be formed a 'Mixed Court,' on the lines of the 'Mixed Court' in Shanghai, with a Chinese Magistrate to preside over it, to deal with all cases where Chinese are the defendants. The Bye-Laws annexed to the Land Regulations are at present 20 in number, and seem sufficiently drastic to cover all necessary supervision of the roads, sewers and drains on the island. No obstructions to roads are to be permitted; all rubbish heaps, &c., are to be cleared away speedily; no stagnant pools are allowed to remain to breed mosquitoes; new buildings are first to receive the sanction of the Council before being built; all houses are to be kept reasonably clean; infectious diseases are to be reported within 12 hours; no explosives are to be stored on the island; no arms are to be carried; no firing is allowed, or undue noises made; and all these various items are to be duly kept by everybody, Chinese and Foreigner alike, under severe penalties for breaking them.

Doubtless, at first, there will be difficulties with many Chinese as to the exact meaning of these Bye-Laws so far as they affect them, and a good deal of the work of this first Council will consist in making things clear to the Chinese living upon the island, and then enforcing their observance for the good of all. It is not unlikely that a good many Chinese may leave the island, but probably those who leave will be 'undesirables,' whose room is better than their company. Later on, their places will be taken by those who prefer good stable government, without squeezing and cleanliness, with greater immunity from dangerous epidemics. One can only wish that the scheme could have been started 30, or even 20, years ago, before so many small and insubstantial Chinese houses had been built. However, better late than never.

## NAVAL MOVEMENTS.

On Wednesday, 18th inst., the Austrian Cruiser, S.S. Kaiser Karl VI, entered the port from Shanghai, but did not make a long stay, as she left again on 21st for Foochow. She is a big vessel of 6250 tons and 12,800 horse-power, with three funnels, commanded by Captain Dreger. The stay was too short and the weather too inclement for any festivities or sports.

## MATTHEW ECCLESIASTICAL.

Our new Port Chaplain, the Rev. W. F. Knox, arrived here on Friday, and conducted his first services here on Sunday morning, March 22, in Union Church at 11 o'clock. Morning Prayer followed by Holy Communion. There was a good congregation to greet him, and he will receive a warm welcome among us, both from those of his own communion and from the Missionaries. He seems earnest and bright, intoning

prayers with clearness, and preaching us a short and interesting sermon on the feeding of the five thousand.

## BANK-NOTE FORGERIES.

I see by your paper that bank-notes are being forged and circulated in Shanghai. We are suffering from the same nefarious practice here. For an Express was issued by the Acting Agent of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank a few days ago warning the public to be on their guard against accepting One Dollar Notes purporting to be issued from the Hongkong Office, as there seem to be several forgeries in circulation. As it is not unlikely that some of these may arrive in Hongkong, I mention this for the benefit of all whom it may concern.

## ADVANCE IN PRICES.

Some of our most necessary articles are greatly advanced in price just now, notably Oil and Flour. Whether this advance is legitimate or due to a corner, manipulated in America, I do not know, but it has become an additional trial to housekeepers. I see Ichang suffered in the same way from a corner in kerosene some time ago, as well as Hongkong.

## THE YARN MARKET.

In their fortnightly report dated March 27th, Messrs Cawston Pallenjee and Co. write:—

Since the issue of our last circular dated the 23rd inst., the Yarn Market has been ruled steady, and business was done at last month's quotations, and though in some threads prices show a decline of about fifty cents owing to forced sales by some of the importers who are anxious to quit to take advantage of the present rise in the rate of Exchange, a large business has transpired in almost all accounts and descriptions. As the stock is diminishing, no fear is apprehended of a decline in the near future. Market closes steady. A moderate business has transpired in the rate of Exchange, and only a few threads have been sold at a decline. Nos. 12s and 14s are in moderate request. A very good business is reported in Nos. 10s, 11s, and 12s, and Nos. 14s and 16s are not much inquired for. Sales during the past fortnight comprised about 25 Bales of No. 6s, 4,750 Bales of No. 10s, 1,180 Bales of No. 11s, 1,180 Bales of No. 12s, 2,000 Bales of No. 14s, and 2,000 Bales of No. 16s, in all about 8,450 Bales. Arrivals per steamers: *Hirakawa Maru*, *Idzumi Maru*, *Maru Velez*, *Pohn*, *Lightning*, *Kunming* and *Baltoard*, total about 12,500 Bales. Shipments to Shanghai and the other ports about 6,000 Bales. The unsold stock is estimated at about 9,000 Bales.

**Local Production.**—No sales are reported in the market. **Spun Yarn.**—About 400 Bales of No. 20s changed hands at \$12 per Bale.

## HONGKONG SHARE REPORT.

In their weekly share report, dated 27th March, Messrs Benjamin, Kelly and Potts write:—

There has been an increased demand for almost all stocks during the week and a fairly large general business has resulted. **Banks.**—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have ruled very steady and continue in demand at \$2. The London quotation is maintained at \$2.10. The Hongkong and Shanghai Bank has ruled at \$2.10, but have since risen to \$2.25, at which there are probable buyers.

**Marine Insurance.**—Unions have again been advanced at current rates up to \$110, and at this price, further sales of China Traders have been effected at \$80, and transactions in Cantons have taken place at \$102. A few North China have been disposed of at \$1.20, at which rate more shares are likely to be placed. Yangtze are in request at \$1.40.

**Fire Insurance.**—No business is reported in either stock. Hongkong Fire is unchanged but can be obtained at \$307.5 and Chinese Fire at \$285. **Shipping.**—Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamships have been in strong request and have improved to \$38 at which price business has resulted. Indo-China have ruled somewhat steeper during the week and shares have changed hands at \$99 and \$100 cash, and \$102 and \$103 for delivery in June. Douglas Steamships are with-out business and quotation remains unaltered at \$43. Star Lines are quoted at \$27 for old and \$15 for the new shares. Shell Transports are at \$1.75. Shanghai Tags are up to \$1.30 and are in request. There is no change in Cargo Boats.

**Refineries.**—China Sugars have been negotiated at rates up to \$110, and a considerable forward business has also been done at \$113.5 for July and \$114.5 for August. Luxurans have found buyers at \$12.

**Mining.**—Fanjians have gone up to \$31, and Rautas are offered at \$8. There is no alteration in the prices of other stocks. **Docks, Wharves and Godowns.**—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have strengthened their position a great deal and have advanced from \$206 to \$212 with sales at intermediate rates. Farman's have been disposed of at \$184 and \$185. Kowloon Wharves have changed ownership at \$92 and \$93 and more shares are wanted at the latter figure. Kowloon Wharves are reported sold in Shanghai at \$1.305.

**Land, Hotels and Buildings.**—Hongkong Land has been sold at \$110. Shanghai Lands are weaker and have sellers at \$1.14. Hongkong Hotels have risen and are asked for at \$142 after sales at \$117. Hotel des Indes are wanted at \$11. Humphreys Estate have been booked at \$121. Business in China Providents has been taken off the market at \$9.85, at which lower rate shares are offering.

**Cotton Mills.**—Eraws have been sold at \$1.33, and International at \$1.38. Other stocks are without change. **Oil Companies.**—Sumatras have fallen to \$1.55 after sales at \$1.57, the final dividend of \$1.20 paid in Shanghai on the 19th March.

**Miscellaneous.**—Green Island Cements have been taken off the market at \$22 and \$22.5, the dividend of \$1.20 paid on the 23rd instant. A. S. Watsons have been disposed of at \$14, and there are further enquiries at this time. Electricities (old issue) are offering at \$14, the new shares have been bought and have further buyers at \$27. Manila Investments have been parted with at \$15, and are now enquired for at \$16. William Powells have changed hands and are wanted at \$10. Langkats have experienced a heavy decline, peaking at \$12, and business is reported from the North at \$1.335.

## To-day's Advertisements

## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

## IN BANKRUPTCY.

Receiving Order and First General Meeting of Creditors.

No. 3 of 1903.

Re The Tux Hsu firm lately trading at No. 45 Connaught Road West, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, as Grocers.

Receiving Order dated 6th day of March, 1903.

Petition dated 24th day of January, 1903.

FRIDAY, the 3rd day of April, 1903, at 12 o'clock at Noon, precisely, has been fixed for the First General Meeting of Creditors in the above Matter, to be held at the Official Receiver's Office, Land Office, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, aforesaid.

No. 7 of 1903.

Re The Wiso On firm lately carrying on business at No. 100 Jervois Street, Victoria aforesaid, and Lu Kat Wai, a partner in the said firm.

Receiving Order dated 25th day of March, 1903.

Petition dated 20th day of March, 1903.

FRIDAY, the 3rd day of April, 1903, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon, precisely, has been fixed for the First General Meeting of Creditors in the above Matter, to be held at the Official Receiver's Office, Land Office, Queen's Road Central, Victoria aforesaid.

No Creditor can vote in the above matters unless he proves his debt.

Forms of Proof and Proxy can be obtained at the Official Receiver's Office during Office hours.

At the above First General Meeting, the Creditors will be asked to consider whether the Debtors should be adjudged Bankrupt or whether they, the Creditors, will entertain a proposal for a Composition or Scheme of Arrangement.

Dated this 27th day of March, 1903.

BRUCE SHEPHERD, Official Receiver.

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

DURING my temporary absence from the Colony, Mr. R. J. MACGOWAN will act as SECRETARY of the above Company.

By order of the Board of Directors, EDWARD OSBORNE, Secretary.

Hongkong, March 28, 1903.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 28th at 11.45a. The barometer has risen over E. Japan, fallen over W. Japan.

The high pressure area lies now over E. Japan, and a shallow depression lies in the neighbourhood of the Loochoos.

Moderate monsoon along the China coast and over the N. part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—moderate N.E. winds; fair.

## Optim Quotations.

HONGKONG, March 28, 1903.

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